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Re MUR 5926 – Republican Party of Minnesota et al

Dear Mr Jordan

This office represents the Republican Party of Minnesota ("RPM"), its Treasurer, Anthony Sutton, and its former Treasurer, Marina Taubenberger, in the above-captioned MUR. We are writing to provide the Commission with further information regarding this matter since Ms Falenck's correspondence of August 16, 2007, and February 29, 2008. In addition, in light of RPM's willingness to actively work with the Commission to resolve the issues relating to this matter, we respectfully request that this matter be assigned to the Commission's Alternative Dispute Resolution division.

I. Background

On July 16, 2007, Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics ("CREW") filed a complaint against RPM alleging a number of reporting errors and other financial irregularities during 2006 and 2007. The Complaint contains three Counts. Count I alleges that RPM violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 as amended ("FECA") and Federal Election Commission ("Commission" or "FEC") regulations by failing to report certain debts and obligations on its disclosure reports filed with the FEC. Complaint at 5. Count II alleges that RPM violated FECA and FEC regulations by failing to report certain unreimbursed staff advances as outstanding debts on its disclosure reports filed with the Commission. Id. Count III of the

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Complaint demands that the FEC conduct an audit and field investigation of RPM based on alleged substantial non-compliance with FFCA. Complaint at 6 (citing 2 U.S.C. § 438(b)).

In the summer of 2007, RPM retained Bryan Cave LLP to serve as outside counsel with respect to the complaint and to assist RPM with an on-going review of its financial records and FEC disclosure reports from 2002 to the present. RPM also hired an accounting firm, Talent Paymaster, to conduct a comprehensive audit of its financial records during this time period and to identify any amendments that were necessary to RPM's FEC disclosure reports.

II Filing of Amended FEC Disclosure Reports

In Ms. Falencki's August 16, 2007 correspondence relating to this matter, she indicated that RPM planned to proactively file any necessary amendments to its FEC disclosure reports and to do so in a comprehensive fashion. Consistent with this representation, in May 2008, the RPM filed amendments to 77 FEC disclosure reports covering the 2002-2008 time period. Specifically, RPM filed the following amended reports:

2002 February Monthly Report
2002 March Monthly Report
2002 April Monthly Report
2002 May Monthly Report
2002 June Monthly Report
2002 July Monthly Report
2002 August Monthly Report
2002 September Monthly Report
2002 October Monthly Report
2002 12 Day Pre-General Report
2002 30 Day Post-General Report
2002 Year End Report
2003 February Monthly Report
2003 March Monthly Report
2003 April Monthly Report
2003 May Monthly Report
2003 June Monthly Report
2003 July Monthly Report
2003 August Monthly Report
2003 September Monthly Report
2003 October Monthly Report
2003 November Monthly Report
2003 December Monthly Report

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2003 Year End Report
2004 February Monthly Report
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2004 August Monthly Report
2004 September Monthly Report
2006 October Monthly Report
2006 12 Day Pre-General Report
2006 30 Day Post-General Report
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2008 May Monthly Report

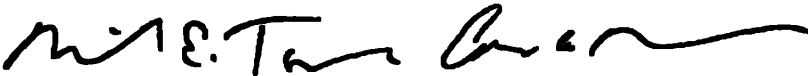
In addition, on July 20, 2008, RPM filed an amendment to its 2008 June Monthly Report

RPM is continuing to review its financial records and FEC disclosure reports for the 2002-2008 time period. If RPM determines that further amendments to its FEC disclosure reports are necessary, RPM will file amended reports as soon as is practicable.

III Request to Assign this Matter to ADR

As was noted above, RPM has taken proactive steps in this matter to review its financial records and file amended FEC disclosure reports in a comprehensive fashion as necessary. In light of this due diligence and RPM's willingness to work with the Commission to reconcile all outstanding issues, we respectfully request that MUR 5926 be assigned to ADR for appropriate action. If you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Respectfully submitted,



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